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Re: SCP Carlstaadt Site

Dear Mr. Warren:

This in response to your letter dated September 14, 1988 concerning Tank T-5 which is located at the above-referenced site.

In your letter, you described conversations which took place August 26, 1988 between yourself and Ray Basso, of EPA, concerning what you considered to be a "serious" matter-- the condition of Tank T-5. You said you told Ray that you were concerned about the report (from your consultant) that the tank was leaking into the dumpster into which it has been placed. You also stated that it was your understanding that several months ago, EPA would respond to your previous concerns by moving the tank into the garage at the site, however, to your surprise the tank was never moved.

I would like to point out that the reason EPA never moved the tank into the building is that the roof on the garage appears unstable and may collapse. EPA did evaluate the option of moving the tank into the garage, but given the garage's present condition, and the cost, EPA decided this option was impractical. In the meantime, EPA has informed you, as representative of the PRPs for this site, that your group should begin assessing treatment/disposal options for Tank T-5 and its contents. In addition, EPA has been continuing to speak with various firms in order to locate a proper disposal method for the tank.

You stated that Ray Basso expressed surprise and concern that the tank had not been moved into the building, I must explain that Ray has recently been involved in meeting year-end commitments and was therefore not closely involved in the recent decisions regarding T-5.

I do appreciate your concern for the condition of the Tank. As I informed your consultant, Gerard Coscia, EPA did send representatives to inspect the tank on Friday August 26th, immediately after your telephone call. At that time no imminent failure was observed.

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Representatives of LPA performed a second inspection on September 7th, and are currently in the process of developing a proposal to re-cover the tank, in order to allay your concerns.

Once again, LPA appreciates your concern for the environment.

Sincerely yours,

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